

**"EXPRESS MAIL CERTIFICATE"**  
**"EXPRESS MAIL" MAILING LABEL NUMBER EV332944716US**  
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For:	HYDRATE OF 5-[4-[2-(N-METHYL-N-(2-PYRIDIL)AMINO-ETHOXY]BENZYL]THIAZOLIDINE-2,4-DIONE MALEIC ACID SALT	

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to calculating filing fees and examining this application, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.